



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re: U.S. Patent Application of  
RICHARD H. BREINLINGER

Application No. 09/927,854

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A  
NETWORK BUS TOPOLOGY

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**REPLY TO OCTOBER 4, 2005 NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

This Reply is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 4, 2005. This Reply is being submitted within the three month shortened statutory time period. Reconsideration of the referenced application, including all pending claims, is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and the remarks set forth below.

This Reply is being submitted in a form which complies with revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Accordingly, all pending claims are identified by number and appropriate status identifier.

**Listing of Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.